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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, AUGUST 24, 2000

APPLICATION OF

ALLEGHENY ENERGY SUPPLY COMPANY, LLC

CASE NO. PUE000404

For a license to conduct
business as a competitive
service provider in electric
retail access pilot programs

ORDER FOR NOTICE AND COMMENT

On August 21, 2000, Allegheny Energy Supply Company, LLC ("AESC" or "Applicant"), completed an application for licensure to conduct business as a competitive service provider. AESC states that it seeks to provide electricity to all classes of retail customers participating in the retail access pilot programs of American Electric Power - Virginia and Virginia Electric and Power Company.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION of the captioned application, the Commission is of the opinion that AESC's application should be docketed; that the Applicant should give appropriate notice of its application; and that the Commission Staff should conduct an investigation into the reasonableness of the application and present its findings in a Staff report.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) This case is docketed and assigned Case No. PUE000404.

(2) A copy of AESC's application and supporting documents shall be made available for public inspection in the Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia, between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or can be ordered from Carolyn L. Conrad, Analyst, External Affairs, Allegheny Energy Supply Company, LLC, Roseytown Road, RR 12, Box 1000, Greensburg, Pennsylvania 15601.

(3) Any interested person may request a copy of the application, accompanying materials, and this Order by directing a request for the same in writing to Carolyn L. Conrad at the address set forth above. The Applicant shall, within three (3) days of receipt of the request, serve the requested documents upon the person making such request.

(4) On or before September 1, 2000, AESC shall complete publication of the following notice to be published on one (1) occasion as classified advertising in newspapers of general circulation within the geographical areas approved by the Commission for each pilot program in which the Applicant seeks to participate:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION
BY ALLEGHENY ENERGY SUPPLY COMPANY, LLC, TO
CONDUCT BUSINESS AS A COMPETITIVE SERVICE
PROVIDER IN ELECTRIC RETAIL ACCESS PILOT
PROGRAMS
CASE NO. PUE000404

On August 21, 2000, Allegheny Energy Supply Company, LLC ("AESC" or "Applicant"), completed an application with the State Corporation Commission for a license to conduct business as a competitive service provider. AESC states that it seeks to provide electricity to all classes of retail customers participating in the retail access pilot programs of American Electric Power - Virginia and Virginia Electric and Power Company.

Copies of AESC's application are available for public inspection between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23218, or can be ordered from Carolyn L. Conrad, Analyst, External Affairs, Allegheny Energy Supply Company, LLC, Roseytown Road, RR 12, Box 1000, Greensburg, Pennsylvania 15601.

Any person desiring to comment in writing on AESC's application may do so by directing an original and five (5) copies of such comments on or before September 11, 2000, to Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218, and shall refer to Case No. PUE000404. A copy of such comments simultaneously shall be sent to Applicant's counsel, Patricia J. Clark, Esquire, Allegheny Energy Supply Company, LLC, 800 Cabin Hill Drive, Greensburg, Pennsylvania 15601.

ALLEGHENY ENERGY SUPPLY COMPANY, LLC

(5) Any person desiring to comment in writing on AESC's application may do so by directing an original and five (5) copies of such comments on or before September 11, 2000, to

Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218.

Comments must refer to Case No. PUE000404. A copy of any such comments simultaneously shall be served by first-class mail, or hand-delivered, to counsel for AESC, Patricia J. Clark, Esquire, Allegheny Energy Supply Company, LLC, 800 Cabin Hill Drive, Greensburg, Pennsylvania 15601.

(6) The Commission Staff shall analyze the reasonableness of AESC's application and shall present its findings in a Staff report to be filed on or before September 15, 2000.

(7) On or before September 21, 2000, the Applicant shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of any response it may have to the Staff report and any comments that have been filed, and shall serve a copy of its response on counsel for the Commission Staff and any person(s) submitting comments. Service shall be by such method that ensures that the response is received by September 21, 2000.

(8) Due to the time-sensitive nature of this proceeding, the Applicant shall respond to written interrogatories or data requests within three (3) business days after the receipt of the same. Interrogatories and data requests, as well as the responses thereto, shall be transmitted via facsimile as well as by first-class mail. Except as modified herein, discovery shall

be in accordance with Part VI of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 5 VAC 5-10-450 to -510.

(9) On or before September 11, 2000, the Applicant shall file with the Clerk of the Commission proof of the notice required in Ordering paragraph (4) herein.

(10) This matter is continued generally.